

State of North Carolina }
Anklein County

I William Richards of
the County and State aforesaid think
proper while I am in a sound and
disposing mind and memory, to make
my Will and dispose of and distribute
the property that it hath pleased my
indulgent creator to put me in possession
of in the manner herein after mentioned.
I give and bequeath unto my son
Major Richards, Negroes, Sam, Nan, Peter,
& Chan, to him and his Heirs and assigns
for ever. and conditionally a piece of Land
begging at a Sweet Gum, Sugar
& Brantley's Corner, on Linches Creek, thence a North
East course to a pine standing near the head of
my lane, thence the course continued to Trehaunt's
line, and joining his the said Major's own
Land. One half of my household Furniture
and one half of all my Stock, of Horses, Cattle
&c. for the express purpose of maintaining
my Wife Mary Richards during her life.
provided my said Wife should live
longer

longer than I myself should live. Other
should my wife depart this life, before I
die. then and in that case it is my Will
and desire, that the before mentioned La-
household furniture & Stock should be
by my Executors and divided among
Major Richards, William Richards and
Stone wife of William Stone my Son &
Daughter equally the profits thereof
& share alike.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son M.
Richards, Negroes, Nan and all her children
Isaac, Teeny, & Peter to him and his Heirs
and Appres for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin
Richards, the plantation where on I now
live, with all my lands not before disposed
of. Negroes Mary, Ben, Philis and Phillis
one half of all my Stock of Horses, Cattle
Hogs &c, one half of all House hold furniture
and my Mill to him and his Heirs and
Appres for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my
Daughter Mary Stone wife of William
Stone. Negroes Tom, Lucy, Ben son of
Isaac, Milly and Jean, Mother of Milly
her and her Heirs and Appres
for ever.

It is my Will and desire that
after my Just Debt are paid; the residue
of my Estate not herein mentioned be
equally divided amongst all my children

I do hereby nominate and appoint
my Sons, Major Richards, William
Richards, Benjamin Richards and
my son in law William Stone Executors
to this my last Will and Testament,
ratifying the same, & revoking all other
Wills or Wills by me heretofore In testimony
whereof I hereunto set my hand & affixed
my Seal this twenty first day of September
one thousand seven hundred & ninety five

Sign'd Seal & acknowledged
in presence of us

Margt. Hutton

Martha Green
Jm Green, Jurat

William Richards